

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Originals fed out by a feeder provided above an original supporting portion for movement toward and away from the originals placed on the original supporting portion are separated by a separating portion and fed one by one toward an image reader. A regulator provided between the separating portion and the feeder is then moved to a retracted position in which it does not hamper the feeding of the originals, by an interlocking member, in operative association with the movement of the feeder to a feeding position in which it contacts with the originals when it feeds out the originals. Also, by the interlocking member, the regulator is moved to a regulating position in which it regulates the originals placed on the original supporting portion coming to the separating portion before the feeding operation by the feeder, in operative association with the movement of the feeder to a feeding stop position in which it becomes spaced apart from the originals.